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CELL LINES AND METHODS OF
USE THEREFOR

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 19, 2001 ("Action"), and pursuant to Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments. Submitted herewith is: (a) Exhibit A, a marked up version of the claims showing the amendments made herein, (b) Exhibit B, a clean copy of all claims, including claims as amended herein; and (c) a Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months up to and including June 19, 2002 with provision for the required fee. Applicants believe that the amendments and remarks set forth below place the case in position for allowance.

IN THE CLAIMS

A marked up version of the claims showing the amendments is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Matter that has been added to claim 1 is indicated by underlining.

— Please cancel claims 11 and 12.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

C 1. (Amended three times) A method for producing a conditionally-immortalized human mesencephalon neural progenitor cell, comprising:

(a) plating human mesencephalon cells on a first surface and in first growth medium that permits proliferation;